

**Notice of Allowability**

Application No.

09/683,284

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the papers filed 2/28/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-5, 7-45 renumbered respectively 1-44.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 14 February 2002 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☐ All   b) ☐ Some\*   c) ☐ None   of the:
    1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
    2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
    3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
  6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS ( as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
    - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review ( PTO-948) attached
      - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)                                  |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)                                | 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),<br>Paper No./Mail Date <u>05092005</u> . |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),<br>Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment  |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit<br>of Biological Material          | 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance                                    |
|   | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____.   |

### EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Rasche on 5/9/05.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the claims:

Claim 2, line 3, change " the surrounding " to -- surrounding --.

Claim 3, line 3, change " the user " to -- a user --.

Claim 5, line 3, change " the surrounding " to -- surrounding --.

Claim 5, line 4, change " the movement " to -- movement --.

Claim 8, line 3, change " the condition " to -- a condition --.

Claim 9, line 3, change " the condition " to -- a condition --.

Claim 11, line 4, change " the lock " to -- a lock --.

Claim 12, line 4, change " the lock " to -- a lock --.

Claim 19, line 5, change "M&A" to -- monitoring and automation (M&A) --.

Claim 22, line 7, " the operational " to -- operational --.

Claim 23, line 6, after "information " insert -- to retrieve a service provider --.

Claim 24, line 8, change "M&A" to -- monitoring and automation (M&A) --.

Claim 25, line 13, change " on the surrounding " to -- on surrounding --.

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Claim 25, line 20 , change " causing the " to -- causing --.

Claim 26, line 6 , change " the collection " to -- a collection --.

Claim 27, line 4, change " the surrounding " to -- surrounding --.

Claim 28, line 4, change " the surrounding " to -- surrounding --.

Claim 29, line 4, change " the surrounding " to -- surrounding --.

Claim 31, line 4, change " the condition " to -- a condition --.

Claim 32, line 4, change " the condition " to -- a condition --.

Claim 33, line 6, change " the surrounding " to -- surrounding --.

Claim 35, line 5 , change " the collection " to -- a collection --.

Claim 36, line 4 , change " the lock " to -- a lock --.

Claim 37, line 4 , change " the lock " to -- a lock --.

Claim 38, line 5 , change " on the " to -- on --.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Steven R. Garland whose telephone number is 571-272-3741. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Leo Picard can be reached on 571-272-3749. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

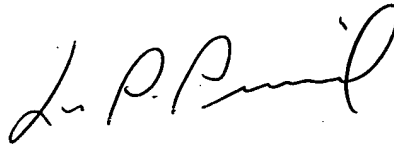
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